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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

63 DECEMBER 15, 2009

Sachi A. Hama
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPT AND ADVERTISE
PUMP STATION CONSTRUCTION
AVENUE J AND TREVOR PUMP STATION
CITY OF LANCASTER
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve the project to construct a new pump station facility in the City of Lancaster, find project categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act, adopt the plans and specifications, call for bids, and delegate certain responsibilities to the Director of Public Works or her designee to carry out this project.

BID 1/21/10 @ 11:00 AM

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY:

1. Find that this project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve the project and adopt the plans and specifications for Avenue J and Trevor Pump Station, pump station construction and the performance of other appurtenant work, in the City of Lancaster, at an estimated cost between \$1,900,000 and \$ 2,300,000.
3. Call for bids to be received on January 21, 2010.
4. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors to advertise the project and seal and return the plans and specifications to the Department of Public Works for filing.
5. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a consultant services agreement with a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid to prepare a baseline construction schedule and environmental plans for a \$16,500 not-to-exceed fee funded by existing project funds.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) approval to adopt and advertise for bids for the construction of a pump station facility and the performance of other appurtenant work.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help fulfill these goals by improving the reliability, efficiency, and overall water quality of the water supply system for residents and property owners in the Waterworks District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction cost to complete this project is in the range of \$1,900,000 to \$2,300,000. Sufficient funds to cover the cost of this project are included in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This project, to contract for the construction of a pump station, is part of the Department of Public Works' (Public Works) ongoing program to improve water infrastructure and service by providing greater water reliability during peak demand. It will be advertised in accordance with Section 20602 of the State Public Contract Code.

This project is to be completed in 150 working days. It is estimated the work will start in May 2010 and be completed in January 2011.

The contract agreement will be in the form previously reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County of Los Angeles' (County) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid, which is defined as the firm that; (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation including, but not limited to, licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by the contractor will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15302(c) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Class 1, Subsection (e), of the revised County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. The exemptions provide for upgrading and maintenance of the existing pump stations.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This project will be contracted on an open competitive bid basis. A recommendation for award by your Board will be made after review of the bids. The contract will be awarded to a responsible contractor who submits the lowest responsive bid meeting the criteria established by your Board and the State Public Contract Code.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by providing the residents and property owners within the Waterworks District with a more reliable and efficient water supply system.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

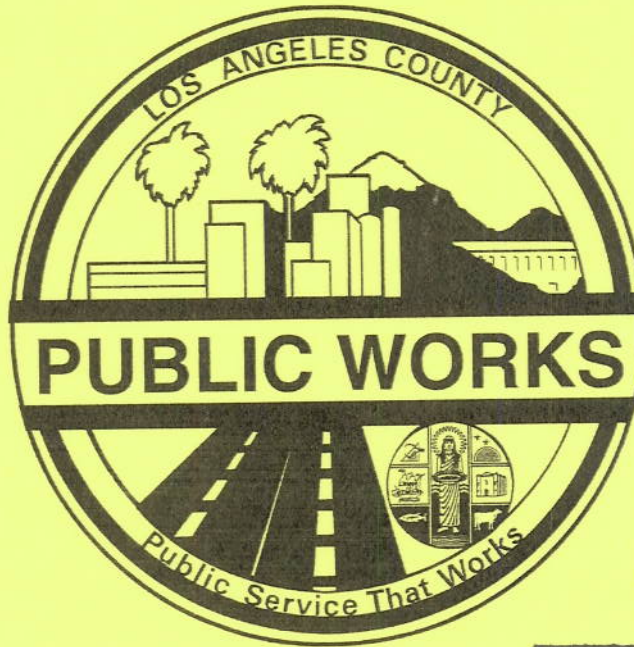
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GAIL FARBER

Director

GF:JTS:bc

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance



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63 of 12/15/09

DATE

SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOTICE INVITING BIDS,

SPECIAL PROVISIONS,

AND

SAMPLE AGREEMENT,

FOR

PROJECT ID NO. WWD4004041

AVENUE J AND TREVOR PUMP STATION



Approved, GAIL FARBER, Director of Public Works

By

Deputy Director

Date